

GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA  
ABSTRACT

EFS&T Department - Ban on Single use of Plastics in the Telangana State  
- Constitution of Committee – Orders - Issued.

ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (FOR.III) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No. 161

Dated: 07-11-2019

Read the following:-

From the M.S.,TSPCB, Hyd., Lr.No.Plastic/04/TSPCB/Unit-II/2019-1748, dated: 30.10.2019.

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O R D E R:

It is well known that plastic products in general and plastic carry bags and other single use plastic items used in daily life cause short term and long term environmental damage and health hazard. The Article 48-A of the Constitution of India, inter alia, envisages that the State shall endeavor to protect and improve the environment; it has come to the knowledge of the Government that, the use of plastic carry bags, banners, flexes, plastic flags, plastic plates, plastic cups, plastic spoons, cling films (plastic covering) and plastic sheets used for spreading on dining table and items that are made of thermocol are causing serious environmental hazards and affects health of human beings as well as animals. It is also observed that the plastic wastes is also causing blockage of gutters, sewers and drains apart from resulting in pollution of water bodies in the State.

2. The State Government therefore, decided to appoint a committee of officials to study the problems and suggest alternatives to the single use of plastic items and also to make suggestion for promoting such industries to produce alternative products to the plastics.

3. Accordingly, the following Committee of the Officials is constituted above said purpose:

1.	The Special Chief Secretary to Government, Environment, Forests, Science & Technology Department	Chairperson
2.	The Principal Secretary to Government, Municipal Administration & Urban Development Department	Member
3.	The Principal Secretary to Government, Panchayat Raj and Rural Development Department.	Member
4.	The Principal Secretary to Government, Industries & Commerce Department	Member
5.	The Commissioner, Commercial Taxes.	Member
6.	The Member Secretary, Telangana State Pollution Control Board, Hyderabad.	Member Convener

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4. The above Committee shall study and submit a report to Government on the effectiveness of the ban on single use of plastic in various states and alternatives to the single use of plastic items. The Committee shall also suggest for promoting such industries to produce alternative products to the plastics and also various industrial incentives to be provided to such industries. They shall also assess any other issue related to this matter.

. (BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF TELANGANA)

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SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

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Development Department, Telangana State.  
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Hyderabad.  
The P.S. to Chief Minister  
The P.S. to Minister (F&E and S&T)  
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